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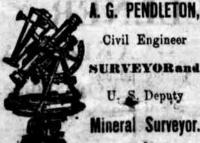
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If you'll give him a chance to straighte his form— To grow strong 'gainst the weight of the

gath'ring storm; To cheer his heart while it still beats warn in the Printer. If you'll give him a draught of hope to drink And stop his steps on bankruptcy's brink; Oh, turn from your selfishness, just to think

Of the Printer ! So I gathered up dollars so clear and bright That they shone like the stars in the sky and they filled the heart (with a strange

That while I to myself and my kind an To never keep money that's honestly due To the Printer Globe, A. T.

A Gold Mine Secret.

The northern seas seem to possess ascination for the sailor. In every group of ancient mariners encounter- or the locality of his village, so that ed along the water front, there can be found some hardy son of Neptune who has braved the rigors of an Arctic winter, and who has seen strange sights in the "thrilling regions of died while trying to save a poor sailthick-ribbed ice." No matter how hard his experience may have been, the sailor who has once been in north latitudes is always ready to ship again for the frozen zone. Seated in the pilot house of a bay steamer the other night, we heard a strange and pathetic story of the Alaska coast. The narrator was the grizzled captain of the boat, who himself had been through many vicissitudes. A native of the Island of Jersey, he took to water as naturally as a duck, and pulled on a shoulder almost to the wrist was solid rope's end before he was twelve years as iron. old. An acquaintance with Wilmington, North Carolina, harbor gave him a chance during the late war to do a rontable business in the interoit book experiences on the Southern coast was

water front was Ben T-.... He was a 'towney' of mine, for he and I were boys together in Jersey, and we both went to sea together. I was a little out at the elbows and had no friends in the city. He was employed on a coaster as mate, and he spoke to his owners and got me a berth. We run together until some five years ago, when he got a job with the Alaska Fur Company and went North. In about a year he returned, and coming aboard the boat where I was employed he called me aside and exhibited a piece of rock literally encrusted with gold. The piece of rock was about the size of his fist, and it yielded at Price's office when melted down over \$60 in coin. It made my mouth water to look at it, and my first question was, Where did it come from?' Bill re-

plied, 'From Alaska;' and he went on to tell me how it came into his possession. He said that a big Indian chief on the coast had taken a fancy to him and had one day given him this specimen, saying at the same time that there was a whole mountain full of it and that he would guide Bill to it. Bill was shrewd enough to pledge his Indian friend to secrecy and soon afterwards returned to San Francisco, intending to raise money enough to get a prospecting outfit and then give the mine a fair trial. I took a share at once in the enterprise, as I had saved up some money and had a few hundred dollars in the locker. We let one other friend have a share. We chartertered a schooner, ostensibly for a fishing cruise, and fitted her out for a twelve months trip. I intended to go, but a week before the time set for departure I fell down the hatchway of the boat one dark night on the Sacramento river and broke a leg, so I was counted out. The other shareholder was a water-front provision dealer, and he could not leave his business. The vessel finally sailed with Bill as captain, a mate and four sailors. The mate and sailors were shipped for a fishing cruise, and were ignorant of Bill's intentions. To keep up the deception, Bill, on his arrival on the coast, commenced fishing vigorously and soon had a good eatch. By degrees he worked his vessel slowly to-

rived in the immediate vicinity of the

vessel's side the boat capsized and Bill at once sprung into the water to the aid of the sinking sailor. A line was the man and ordered those on deck to sidered as wishing to continue their hoist away. The man was pulled up safely and the line was passed down to Bill, but he had disappeared. A he was a magnificent swimmer, and he had sunk without making even the slightest sign. Of course there was great consternation on the vessel, and was vain. Poor Bill had found a watery grave. The mate then took command of the schooner, and as she was pretty well loaded, he at once made sail for San Francisco. I happened to be crossing the bay the day the schooner got in, and you can imagine my sensation when I saw her come sailing up the harbor. I sup-posed Bill had been successful, and I office, or removing and leaving them was so shocked when the mate told his intentional fraud. story that you could have knocked me down with a feather. We sold the newspaper and makes use of it, whethcargo and after paying expenses we were considerably ahead. I sent Bill's law a subscriber. share of the money to his old mother in Jersey, but the secret of the gold mine perished with him. He never gave me the name of the Indian chief matter further." The Captain con-

or's life."-S. F. Exchange.

it here below he'll find it above, for he

Clock Ticks. After announcing that he was professional clock-winder he tightened his fist and stuck out his arm, which he bent just a trifle at the elbow.

"Get on to that," he murmured. "Well, what of it?" was asked. "Just feel it-sinews and muscles,"

varned the clock-winder. It was true. The arm from the

riceps round in a furniture wagon. feasing until the last victim is slaughade running, and his narrative of his A clock man is as necessary to a wellregulated family that runs timepieces extremely exciting. The conversation as a doctor is. By careful attention turning on Alaska, the Captain lighted a fresh Havana and said: "About can be prolonged anywhere between ten years ago, when I first came to ten and twelve per cent. over and agin' the grain to stick 'em." have patronized us for fifty years. I

Jerusalem on the right."

"Do you ever see any queer clocks?" chimed the reporter. "Queer clocks, and queer people too," returned the man who fixed time-tellers. "I once met a fellow who carried a four-pound seven-day clock around in his coat-tail pocket. I suppose he thought it did as well as a watch; but another reason was that he was short-sighted, and it was much more legible for him. Did you ever

hear of the man on Arch street?" "Which one?" "'Simple Samuel' was what we used to call him. He lived on Arch, below Twelfth. He had about 200 clocks, and all of them were different. He'd hire men to wind them, and sometimes hold the men's hands during the whole operation, to prevent them going vrong or too fast. He had a clock made, fixed to which was a figure repesenting a cat swallowing mice. At 12 o'clock the cat would swallow twelve mice, and at 3 o'clock it would devour three of the same dainty little morsels and so on. One day 'Simple Samuel' was fooling around with the machine, when he discovered that there was only one mouse, and that cat went on swallowing and re-swallowing that identical little wretch. He was so mad at this that he took an

iron bar and churned up the whole business. "I have heard of the most peculiar kinds of alarm clocks, but I won't youch for them, as I never saw them myself. You've heard of the arrangement that pitched a man out of bed at certain hour every morning? Well, I once heard a story bigger than that. It was of an ordinary-looking, nickleplated timepiece that shaved, washed, dressed its owner and cooked his breakfast. You may imagine that I wouldn't care to stake my reputation on the authenticity of it, but I've heard of it, and I give it to you for what its worth. We do hear queer things in the clock and watch business

rived in the immediate vicinity of the camp. The signs for fish were good, and a small boat was sent out in charge of one of the men to set the lines. As the man returned to the

Law in Relation to Newspapers

First. Subscribers who do not give passed down and Bill threw it around express notice to the contrary, are con-

subscription. Second. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodicals, the cramp had evidently seized him, for publishers may continue to send them until all arrearages are paid.

Third. If subscribers neglect to at refuse to take their periodicals from the office to which they have been another boat was lowered. The search directed, they are held responsible till they have settled their bill and ordered their paper discontinued.

Fourth. If subscribers move to other pinces withou winforming the publisher, and the papers are sent to the former directions they are held Fifth. The courts have decided that

refusing to take periodicals from the curried to the wharf to greet him. I uncalled for is prima facia evidence of Sixth. Any person who receives a

Driving Timid Fish.

A "black fish drive" is managed in this way: When a school is discovered feeding close in shore, a store or so we deemed it useless to pursue the of boats put out to intercept it. The boats are in two lines, one on each cluded reverently, "If he didn't strike side of the school, and pull silently out until far in the rear, when they unite and advance on their prey. No fish is more timid than the grampus, as the fishermen well know, and they take advantage of this trait to effect his destruction. When still several hundred yards away, the school discovers the boats and begins to show signs of alarm. Then the drive begins. The boats are urged forward, the crews splash the water, fire pistols, blow horns, wave their fisher-coats and vell like Comanches. The frightened fish rush shoreward—the only line of retreat-through the breakers, high and dry upon the beach. A few "Got that winding clocks," he ticked. remain in the surf, and among these Tve been at it seven years, and in the men leap like madmen, shouting.

> "It's excitin," said a grun old whaler, "but its kinder harrowin' tew.

the coast, the first man I met on the above its usual term. I have twenty- Tales told of the booty taken in two houses to visit to-day. They are these drives seem incredible. Four all on my regular list, and some of hundred have been driven ashore at their own fathers, sons and ancestors one time. The old whaler above quoted said that he went out one can mend a clock with any man bemoonlight night and captured sixtytween here and China on the left and four. Another time, in company with the Wellfleet fishermen, he drove 300 ashore at Billingsgate.-Boston Globe.

The old-fashioned New England

beverage cider was mentioned, and

Mr. Whittier stated that he had once derived much benefit when unwell, "when nothing tasted good," from the use of cider. Huntington suggested that without cider we should not have vinegar. "Well," said Whittier, "vinegar is not of much use after all." "Except," replied Huntington, "to eat on cabbage and cucumbers." "Neither of which are fit to be eaten," remarked the poet. "I think it would be a good idea to start a prehibition party on those two articles. As for cabbage, it is not fit to be eaten; if you cook it in the house, you have got to burn your house down afterward to get rid of the smell; it is certainly the most diabolical smell that was ever invented;" and Whitties who was sitting near the open stove grate, upon the top of which he had deposited his tall hat, folded his hands and laughed a hearty silent laugh. What do you think of onions, Mr. Whittier?" asked I. "Well," he replied, "onions are not quite so bad, for you can get rid of the smell of those n three or four days." "Then," said Huntington, "you would not approve of the old-fashioned 'boiled dinner?' No. I think that is a detestable dish. remember that my father used to have it, in which cabbage, onions, beets, potatoes, turnips and carrots were all poiled up together, and turned out into a great dish all in a heap, with a great greasy piece of meat in the middle. I think that is the reason why the present generation is not so strong as the former. It is owing to the way the parents lived, eating so much pork and potatoes. Harper's for February.

An Illinois girl has sued for a breach of promise. When the court asked her why she breached her promise, she said that she had engaged herself to a sweet young man who was nice wards the point where he expected to but we're not the most gullible people to look at, but he made her tired. She found there wasn't specified. him but his mustache and necktie.

At Louisville, Ky., Samuel Siebert, aged 12, fatally Robert Wright, also aged 12, and cluded arrest.